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Title:

GAMING DEVICE WITH AWARD AND DEDUCTION PROXIMITY-

BASED SOUND EFFECT FEATURE

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Examiner:

Scott E. Jones Docket No.: 0112300-012

Honorable Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 28, 2001, and pursuant to the telephone interview courteously granted applicants' representatives on February 26, 2002, please enter this Response in the above-identified application.

In the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 1 to 33 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add new Claims 34 to 130 as follows.

(Newly Added) A gaming device comprising: 34.

a target;

a plurality of non-targets including at least two non-targets which are each a same predetermined proximity from said target;

a display device adapted to display said target and non-targets;

at least one speaker;

a sound effect associated with said predetermined proximity; and

a processor for causing selection of said target or one of the non-targets, and causing said speaker to generate said sound effect when one of the non-targets within said predetermined proximity from said target is selected.

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